

**Roger Williams University  
Faculty Senate  
Agenda  
March 6, 2019 (rev.3/2/19)  
2:15-4:30, Upper Commons Dining Room**

- A. Roll Call
- B. Announcements
- C. Interim President Workman's remarks
- D. Acting Provost Cole's remarks
- E. Adoption of Minutes of February 6, 2019
- F. Acceptance of Committee reports
  - A. Executive Committee
  - B. Curriculum Committee
- G. Bill Seymore, Associate Director, Capital Projects - Master Planning update
- H. New Business
  - A. Motion: The Faculty Senate requests that the administration establish a policy by which a faculty member, or another employee, who wishes that his or her professional name (or other name of choice) be used and displayed in official RWU documents, including (but not limited to) class rosters, portal, AD credentials, Bridges, web directories, and the Student System-related areas of Colleague. (Topf, )
  - B. Motions from Academic Standards and Policies:
    - i. Motion #1: Whenever a non-faculty advisor (enrollment advisors) advises a student:
      - a) All email and other correspondence between the student and enrollment advisors shall be copied to the student's faculty advisor.
      - b) Any support system to assist probationary students shall be shared with respective faculty advisors.
      - c) Student schedules shall not be changed by the enrollment advisors without the faculty advisor's approval. (Tehrani, )

Explanation: The faculty advisors need to be part of any effort to assist probationary students regarding their academic standing. Any support provided to students on probationary status is welcomed. However, the line of communication is broken and the faculty advisors need to be part of any effort to assist probationary students regarding their academic standing.

- ii. Motion #2: The discontinued practice, whereby the Graduation Coordinator emailed graduating students highlighting remaining courses needed for graduation, and copying the faculty advisors, shall be re-introduced. (Tehrani, )

Explanation: In the past, the Graduation Coordinator sent an email to graduating students, which was cced to the faculty advisor highlighting

courses needed to be completed for graduation. This practice has been abandoned. Such information now goes to the Dean's Office and student's home. The Committee recommends that the past practice be brought back.

- iii. Motion #3: The appropriate on-campus RWU office shall oversee the evaluation of the insurance eligibility of international students.  
(Tehrani, )

Explanation: Apparently, the Health Center is not involved in evaluation of international insurance companies anymore and evaluation of international insurance is conducted by an outside agency. The Committee recommends that the appropriate office on campus to consider this matter.

- iv. Motion #4: In accordance with the policy as stated in the RWU catalog, all freshmen and sophomore international students shall be housed on campus. (Tehrani, )

Explanation: In the 4-2-2014 Faculty Senate meeting, several issues regarding international students were discussed. One issue was about housing Saudi students in Providence. At that time, the matter was supposed to be looked into. The issue is still the same as of 2019. The students from the Persian Gulf countries are recommended to stay in Providence and they are housed in Providence. The Committee also discussed housing of other Asian students and if these students are housed on campus during freshman and sophomore years. The Committee requests this matter be looked into.